

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



October 17, 2021

21st Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude "A Blessing" Franklin Ritter

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements
(All congregational responses and unison readings to be whispered)

One: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Mark 10:35-45) *(Please whisper)*

We may come here for a glimpse of glory,
But Jesus asks us: "Can you drink the cup that I drink?"
The cup of Jesus' own life: struggle and joy; suffering and hope. Fullness of life! We may come here to get close to Jesus,
And Jesus asks us: "Can you be baptized with my baptism?"
Baptized into the reign of God, where the Spirit breaks down barriers among all people and creates new relationships!
We may come here for honor or fame,
But Jesus challenges us: "To become great you must serve!"
Why are we here?
To drink the cup of fullness of life; To immerse ourselves in Jesus' struggle for justice and peace; To learn how to serve so that the world may be healed. *(written by the Rev. Dr. Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi - Iliff School of Theology)*

* Hymn # 730 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" WEBB

* Prayer of Confession *(Please whisper)*

**Divine Shepherd, like sheep we go our own ways.
With our heads to the ground and our attention turned elsewhere,
we often fail to heed the gentle nudge of your staff and your calls for home. With so many things to distract us —
work, school, and the general busyness of life —
we lie unresponsive to your calls to kin-dom service.**
(The Rev. Dr. Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi)

* Assurance of Pardon

...In you we are forgiven, and called once again to serve,
and create with you a world of justice and peace for all.
Thanks be to God!

* Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

(Without leaving your seat, share the peace with those around you)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Hebrews 5:7-10 (page 220)

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Glory to God

Second Lesson: Mark 10:35-45 (page 47)

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Sermon "Equally, Yet Differently"

* Affirmation of Faith - (Apostles' Creed) *(Please whisper)*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory "How Great Thou Art" arr. Dan Forrest
Lindsay Mecher, soloist

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer *(Please whisper)*

Parent God, may this offering assist us
in continuing Christ's work in the world
to heal the grief, transgressions, and illnesses
that oppress and harm your creation. Amen.
(The Rev. Dr. Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi)

Sending

* Hymn *(see insert)* "Sons of Thunder, James and John" ST. KEVIN

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Bolero" Moritz Moszkowski
Pat and George Radosavljevic, piano

(You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude)

*Going Forth

*Please rise in body and/or in Spirit

Welcome to Worship at Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Faith in Jesus Christ is the mark of a Christian and a disciple of Christ, and is therefore the only requirement for membership in this Church. Please prayerfully consider joining this family of faith - talk with our Pastor, and learn more by visiting us at www.cwupc.org and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Assisting us in worship today are James Nadder, Lindsay Mecher, George Radosavljevic; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Jamieson.

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